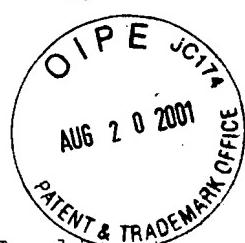


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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed July 20, 2001, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 15, line 16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 1:

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- a) Nucleotide (SEQ ID NO: 17) and amino acid (SEQ ID NO: 18) sequence of human HGF (Gene Bank # M73239; Weidner, K.M., et al.,

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